

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: William Paul Harding-Jones, et al. § Group Art Unit: 2143  
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For: METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR ROUTING MESSAGES WITHIN A PACKET OPERATING SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 24, 2006, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. If any extension of time for this Response is required, the Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1379.

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**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1. **Claims 1, 4, 9, 12, 17, 20, 25, and 28 have been amended.** A complete list of pending claims follows.
2. Remarks begin on page 8.